

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 698
By Naifeh

A RESOLUTION to commend Lincoln Chase Argo for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Lincoln Chase Argo is one such individual who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Honorable Jimmy Naifeh; Chase's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Chase was born February 8, 1984, in Nashville and later moved to Macon County, where he graduated from Macon County High School; during his high school years, he was in the concert band, jazz ensemble, percussion ensemble and marching band, and was a charter member of the LEO Club and a co-founder of the Young Democrats of Macon County; and

WHEREAS, a student at Cumberland University, where he is highly regarded by his peers, Chase has achieved academic success while majoring in History with minors in Political Science and English and participating in numerous extracurricular activities; a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity, he was President of his pledge class and in that office organized fund raisers, a clothing drive, and a brotherhood development activity; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Argo has served as Grand Scribe and is currently Grand Master of his chapter of Kappa Sigma, and has been chairman of several committees, including Rush Committee, Judicial Committee, Housing Committee, Alumni Relations Committee and Social Committee, among others; he has been the recipient of the "Committee Chairman of the Year"

award and is currently in charge of the Kappa Sigma Charity Golf Tournament for the benefit of Cystic Fibrosis; and

WHEREAS, Chase has been a member of the African American Student Association since his Freshman year and has been elected a Senator in the Student Government Association, where he serves on several committees; a member of the Cumberland University Law and Government Club, he has also served on a committee comprised of students, faculty and administration officials to explore the idea of implementing an Honor Code System at Cumberland; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further his studies, Mr. Argo brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2005 session of the One Hundred Fourth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2005 legislative session, Chase has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Argo has performed his many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Lincoln Chase Argo for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Honorable Jimmy Naifeh and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.